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Billions in SB 1 Funding Approved for Congestion Relief, Freight and Local Projects

MARYSVILLE—Caltrans today announced that \$2.7 billion in competitive grants funded through the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1) were awarded to 64 projects throughout California to tackle congestion, support valuable trade corridors and bolster local agency efforts to invest in transportation. These three programs, the Solutions for Congested Corridors, Trade Corridor Enhancement and Local Partnership Programs are vital infrastructure improvement programs created by SB 1.

"California is expected to keep growing, both economically and in population," said Caltrans Director Laurie Berman. "These projects funded by SB 1 will help to ensure that we can keep our economy moving and growing, and ease commutes for our residents so they can move efficiently between destinations."

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved the grants for these three competitive grants during their May commission meeting in San Diego:

Local Partnership Competitive Program

The CTC awarded approximately \$309 million to 27 projects to fund transportation improvements valued at more than \$1.7 billion. This funding represents three years (fiscal years 2017-20) of matching funds for local entities that have already chosen to make their own investments in transportation.

The Local Partnership Program (LPP) was created by SB 1 to provide counties, cities and regional transportation agencies that have passed sales tax measures, developer fees or other voter-approved transportation fees with additional support for local projects from the State. The LPP creates a continuous appropriation of \$200 million annually to fund road maintenance and rehabilitation, sound walls and other transportation improvement projects. These funds are distributed through a 50 percent statewide competitive component and a 50% formula component. The recipients of the formulaic component were finalized in March.









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Local projects receiving funding include:

- Downtown Sacramento Grid 3.0 Mobility Network Improvements on the Grid: The \$11.9 million project will reconfigure roadways, perform two-way street conversions, build Class IV parking-protect bikeways and upgrade pedestrian ramps.
- Capital SouthEast Connector Expressway: The \$40 million project will construct four lanes between State Route 99 and Bruceville Road in Elk Grove.
- Western Placerville Interchange Phase 2: The \$12.7 million project will upgrade the interchange at Ray Lawyer Drive and U.S. Highway 50, build an eastbound U.S. 50 on-ramp, construct park and ride lot improvements to Forni Road and Ray Lawyer Drive.
- West Main Street Bicycle/Pedestrian Mobility and Safety in Woodland: The \$10.7 million project will construct new bicycle lanes, build sidewalk and transit access improvements, narrow down travel lanes and rehabilitate the pavement.

The final approved project list, by county, for the Local Partnership Program Competitive Program can be found at http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/lpp/docs/2018 Adopted CompetitiveLPP.pdf .

More information on the Local Partnership Program can be found on the CTC's <u>SB 1</u> <u>Local Partnership Program web page</u>.

Solutions for Congested Corridors Program

SB 1 created the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program, which provides \$250 million annually for multimodal corridor plans that make performance improvements along the state's busiest highways. Approved projects and plans provide more transportation choices while preserving the character of the local community and creating opportunities for neighborhood enhancement projects.

The CTC approved four years' worth of funding (Fiscal years 2017-18 to 2020-21) totaling approximately \$1 billion to nine projects statewide as part of this program. These projects are valued at approximately \$3.5 billion.

Area projects receiving funding include:

• U.S. Highway 50 Multimodal Corridor Enhancements in Sacramento County: The \$452.1 million project will construct 14 miles of high occupancy









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vehicle lanes through the 50 corridor and nearly 9,000 feet of double tracking (siding) to the light rail system. Combined, these projects will provide more transportation alternatives for commuters during peak travel periods. It will also encourage transit ridership by increasing light rail frequency between Sunrise Boulevard to Folsom from 30 minutes to 15 minutes.

 Interstate 5 Corridor Enhancements and HOV Lanes in Sacramento County: The \$318.7 million project will construct 17 lane miles of high occupancy vehicle lanes, rehabilitate the pavement between Morrison Creek in South Sacramento and the American River in downtown Sacramento and construct 3,700 feet of bikeway in Elk Grove.

The final approved project list, by county, for the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program can be found at http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/sccp/docs/2018 Adopted SCCP.pdf .

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Trade Corridor Enhancement Program

California is the nation's largest gateway for international trade and domestic commerce, and freight movement generates about a third of California's \$2.2 trillion economy. Because of its importance and expected growth, SB 1 provides \$300 million annually for projects related to the routes and transportation infrastructure vital to California's trade and freight economy. Three years' worth of funding (fiscal years 2017-20) totaling approximately \$1.4 billion was awarded to 28 projects, valued at more than \$4 billion.

The final approved project list, by county, for the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program can be found at http://catc.ca.gov/programs/sb1/tcep/docs/2018 Adopted TCEP.pdf .

More information on the program can be found on the CTC's <u>SB 1 Trade Corridor</u> <u>Enhancement Program web page.</u>

The Road Repair and Accountability Act (SB 1), the landmark transportation infrastructure bill signed by Governor Brown in April 2017, invests \$54 billion over the next decade to fix roads, freeways and bridges in communities across California and puts more dollars toward transit and safety. These funds will be split equally between state and local investments. For complete details on SB 1, visit http://www.rebuildingca.ca.gov/.









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